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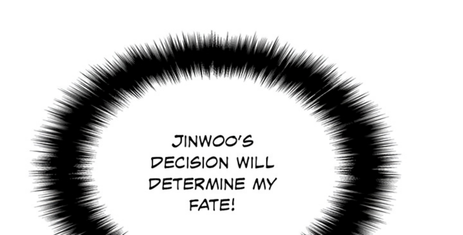

JUST REMEMBER WHY YOU'RE DOING THIS.
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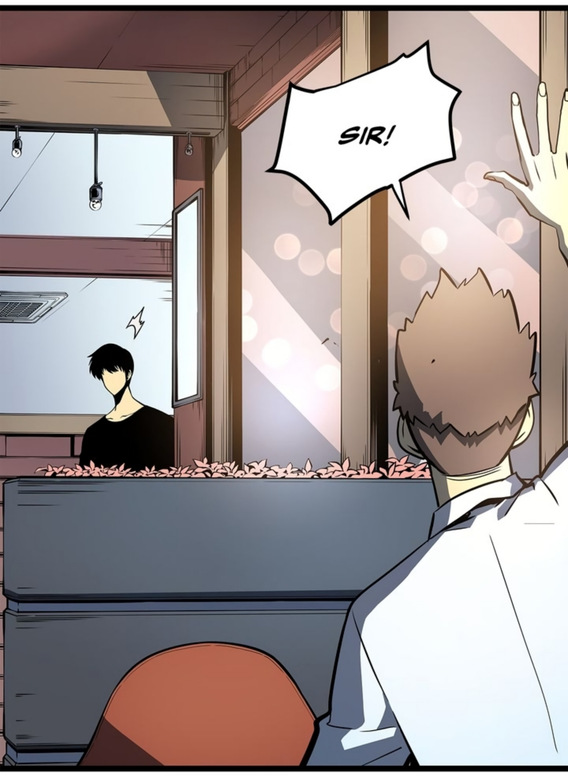
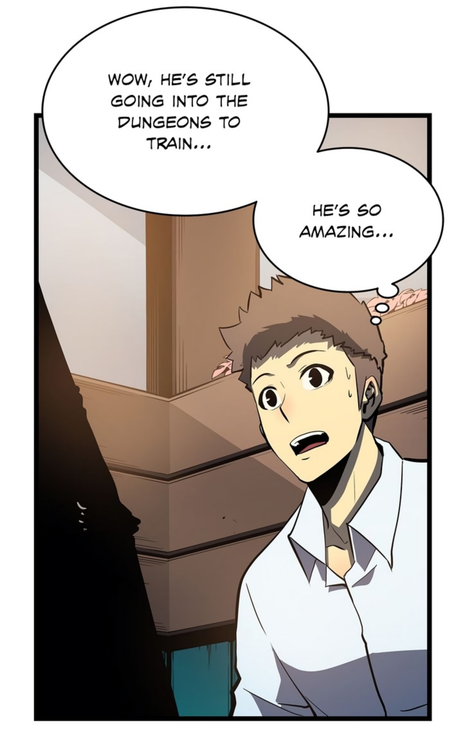
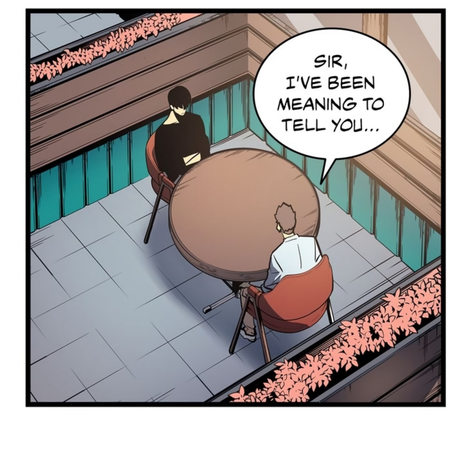
SLAP

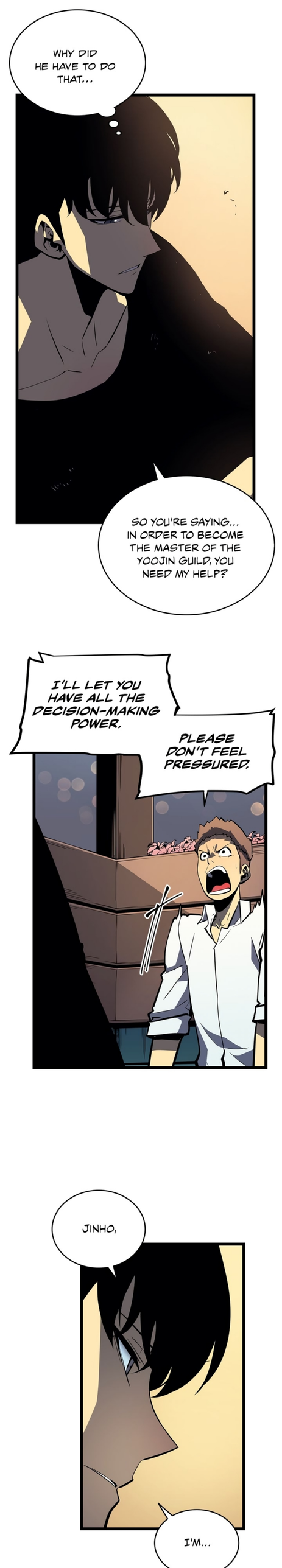

SIR!

SIR, YOUR CLOTHES...!
OH, THIS? I CAME STRAIGHT FROM A DUNGEON.


WOW, HE'S STILL GOING INTO THE DUNGEONS TO TRAIN...
HE'S SO AMAZING...


SIR, I'VE BEEN MEANING TO TELL YOU...

SO WHILE YOU WERE TRYING TO NEGOTIATE WITH YOUR FATHER, GO MYUNGHWAN SHOWED UP...
AND TOLD YOU ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED INSIDE THE RED GATE?
YES, HE EVEN TOLD ME HOW YOU RESCUED THE WHITE TIGER GUILD HUNTERS...


WHY DID HE HAVE TO DO THAT...
SO YOU'RE SAYING... IN ORDER TO BECOME THE MASTER OF THE YOOJIN GUILD, YOU NEED MY HELP?
I'LL LET YOU HAVE ALL THE DECISION-MAKING POWER.
PLEASE DON'T FEEL PRESSURED.
JINHO,
I'M...

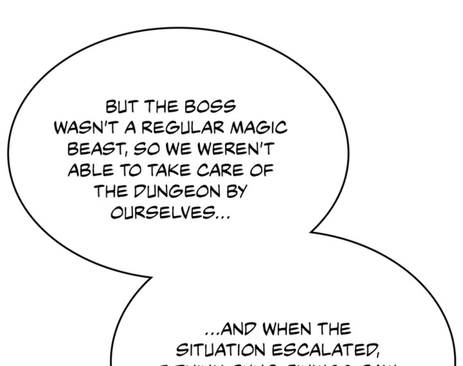
GULP

WHAT?!
SUNG JINWOO JOINED ONE OF OUR RAIDS?!

HE WAS ON THE MINING TEAM YESTERDAY, AND TODAY HE CARRIED THE STRIKE SQUAD'S BAGS?

MR. SON!!

I HAVE NO IDEA WHY HE DID SUCH A THING, BUT...
...I DON'T THINK HE HAD ANY INTENTION OF INTERFERING WITH OUR RAID.


BUT THE BOSS WASN'T A REGULAR MAGIC BEAST, SO WE WEREN'T ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF THE DUNGEON BY OURSELVES...
...AND WHEN THE SITUATION ESCALATED,

I THINK SUNG JINWOO SAW NO OTHER CHOICE BUT TO INTERVENE.

FIRST IT WAS THE WHITE TIGER GUILD, AND NOW WE HUNTERS HAVE BECOME INDEBTED TO HIM AS WELL.

HE CAN SUMMON MULTIPLE BEASTS,

HE'S AS AGILE AS AN ASSASSIN-TYPE HUNTER,

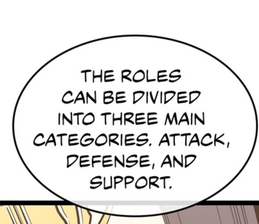
AND HE EVEN HAS THE ABILITY TO TURN A DECEASED BEAST INTO ONE OF HIS SOLDIERS...

THESE ARE JUST THE POWERS THAT HAVE BEEN REVEALED TO US, THOUGH. WHAT IF HE HAS EVEN MORE HIDDEN ABILITIES...?

IF HE'S REALLY THAT POWERFUL...

...HOW STRONG WOULD YOU SAY HE IS IN COMPARISON TO ME?

DURING A RAID, EVERYONE IS ASSIGNED A DIFFERENT ROLE IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE A BALANCE. EACH POSITION COMPLEMENTS ANOTHER'S WEAKNESS.


THE ROLES CAN BE DIVIDED INTO THREE MAIN CATEGORIES. ATTACK, DEFENSE, AND SUPPORT.

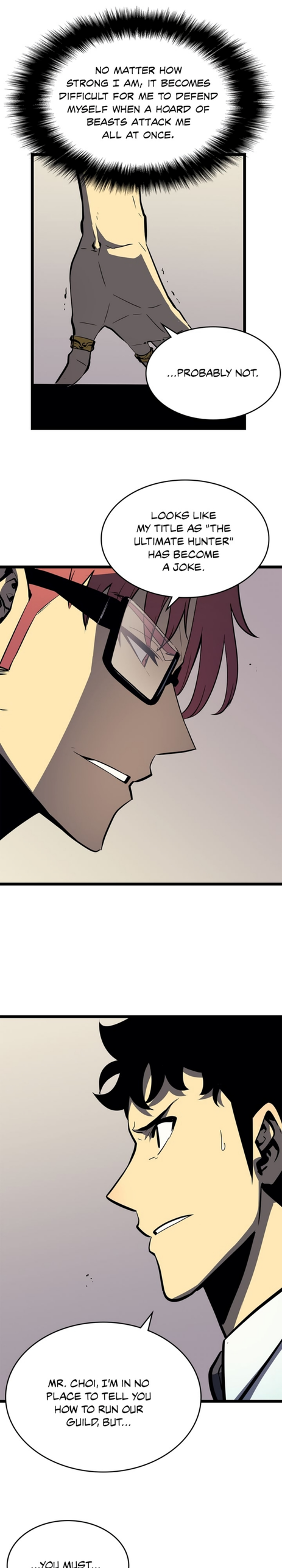
WITHOUT ALL THREE OF THESE POSITIONS WORKING TOGETHER, THE TEAM WILL FIND THEMSELVES IN DANGER.
SO THE WEAKNESS OF ONE TEAMMATE IS COMPLEMENTED BY ANOTHER TEAMMATE'S STRENGTH.

THIS IS ALL PRETTY STRAIGHTFORWARD.

BUT THAT HUNTER WAS...

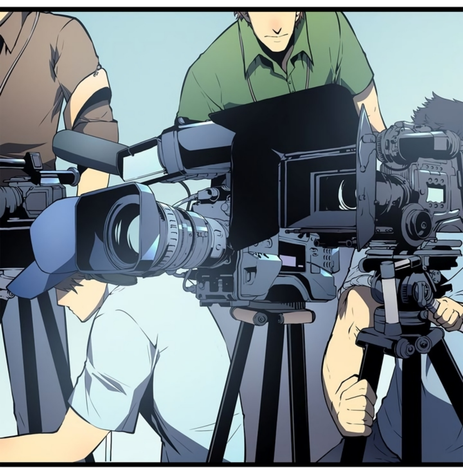
...EXTRAORDINARY.

MR. CHOI, ARE YOU CAPABLE OF CLEARING AN A-RANK DUNGEON OF THE HIGHEST LEVEL ALL BY YOURSELF?


NO MATTER HOW STRONG I AM, IT BECOMES DIFFICULT FOR ME TO DEFEND MYSELF WHEN A HOARD OF BEASTS ATTACK ME ALL AT ONCE.
...PROBABLY NOT.
LOOKS LIKE MY TITLE AS "THE ULTIMATE HUNTER" HAS BECOME A JOKE.
MR. CHOI, I'M IN NO PLACE TO TELL YOU HOW TO RUN OUR GUILD, BUT...
...YOU MUST...

...RECRUIT SUNG JINWOO AT ALL COSTS.

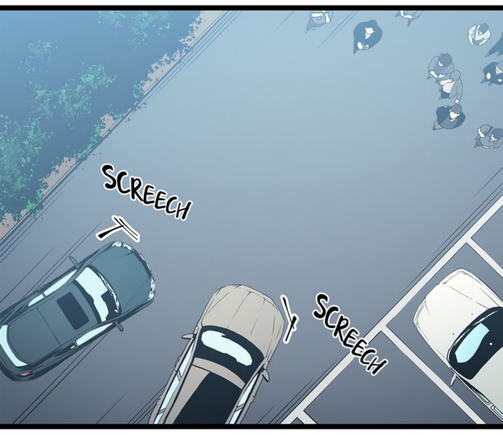
I'LL TRY MY BEST.



LOOKS LIKE WE'VE GOT A PRETTY BIG TURNOUT. I DIDN'T EXPECT ANYTHING LESS.
HERE.

IT'S TOMORROW'S HEADLINE. WHAT DO YOU THINK, MINGUNG?

"LEE MINSUNG, THE MAN WHO HAS IT ALL, WILL SOON POSSESS SUPERHUMAN POWERS"?
A BIT CHEESY, BUT I DON'T HATE IT.

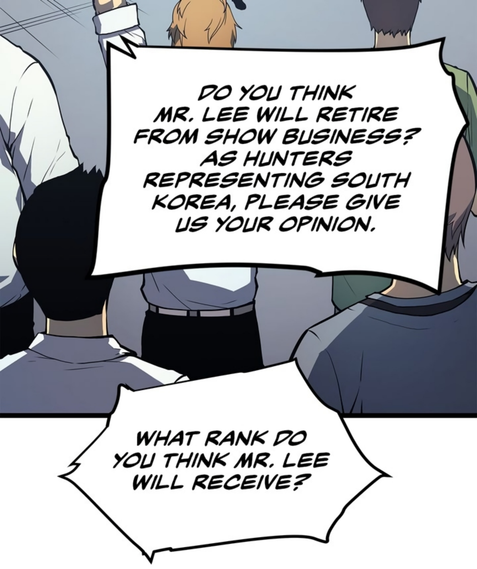

SCREECH
SCREECH

HUH? SOMEONE HAS ARRIVED!

IT'S BAEK YOONHO!
AND CHOI JONG-IN!

WHAT THE... WHAT ARE ALL THESE REPORTERS DOING HERE?
WHAT'S ALL THE FUSS ABOUT?
SNAP
SNAP

HAVE YOU COME TO THE HUNTER'S ASSOCIATION TO RECRUIT MR. LEE MINSUNG?


DO YOU THINK MR. LEE WILL RETIRE FROM SHOW BUSINESS? AS HUNTERS REPRESENTING SOUTH KOREA, PLEASE GIVE US YOUR OPINION.
WHAT RANK DO YOU THINK MR. LEE WILL RECEIVE?

PLEASE TELL US WHAT YOU THINK OF MR. LEE.
HUH? THEY'RE HERE FOR SOME GUY NAMED LEE MINSUNG?
WHY ARE THEY TRYING TO HOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE IN FRONT OF THE BUILDING?
I'M NOT HERE BECAUSE OF HIM. I HAVE NOTHING TO SAY.

MR. LEE HAS ALREADY SIGNED A CONTRACT WITH THE FIEND GUILD. IT'S ALREADY COMMON KNOWLEDGE AMONG INDUSTRY PEOPLE.
ANYWAY, WE'RE HERE TODAY FOR SOMETHING ELSE.

UGH, WHAT THE HECK.
I THOUGHT I HAD A SCOOP.
WHAT A LETDOWN.

I HEARD THAT...
THE HUNTERS GUILD ALSO HAD A CLOSE CALL YESTERDAY.
GRIN
SNAP
SNAP

WELL, WE DIDN'T LOSE AN A-RANK ROOKIE LIKE THE WHITE TIGER GUILD DID.
TICKED
SNAP

SNAP
ANYWAY, LOOKS LIKE BOTH OF OUR GUILDS RECEIVED HELP FROM THAT HUNTER.
SNAP
IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR HIM, ALL OF THE ELITE HUNTERS ON OUR SECOND-TIER TEAM WOULD'VE BEEN KILLED.
SNAP
SNAP
SNAP
SNAP
WHICH IS WHY WE VERY MUCH WANT TO RECRUIT HIM INTO OUR GUILD. IT'S THE ETHICAL THING TO DO.
CLACK

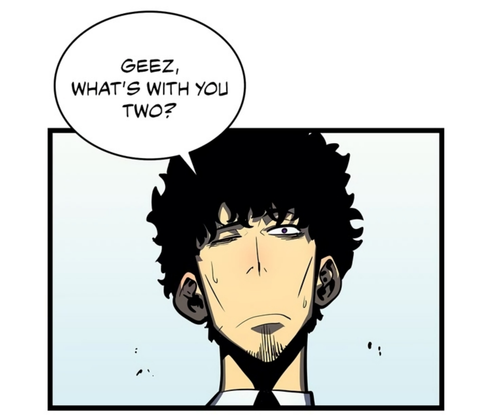
OUR GUILD SUFFERED CASUALTIES,
SO WE MUST ENHANCE OUR FORCES. WOULDN'T IT MAKE MORE SENSE FOR US TO RECRUIT HIM?
WHY DO YOU NEED TO ENHANCE YOUR FORCES WITH AN S-RANK HUNTER?
ARE YOU TRYING TO START A WAR OR SOMETHING?
WHAT ABOUT YOU? SINCE WHEN WERE YOU A MAN OF ETHICS?

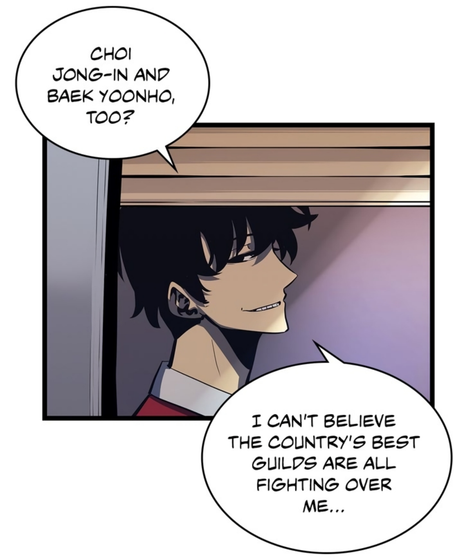
HUH? CHOI JONG-IN? BAEK YOONHO?
STEP
STEP

WHAT'S UP, BIG SHOTS?
ARE YOU GUYS BICKERING OVER MINSUNG RIGHT NOW?

LIM TAE-GYU
(S-RANK)
MASTER OF THE
FIEND GUILD

WHAT THE
HELL?
SHOUT
I DON'T GIVE
A DAMN ABOUT
LEE MINSUNG, OR
WHATEVER HIS
NAME IS!!


GEEZ,
WHAT'S WITH YOU
TWO?


CHOI JONG-IN AND BAEK YOONHO, TOO?
I CAN'T BELIEVE THE COUNTRY'S BEST GUILDS ARE ALL FIGHTING OVER ME...

MINSUNG, EVERYTHING'S READY TO GO. LET'S START WITH THE INTERVIEW.
OKAY.

SNAP
SNAP
SNAP
SNAP
SNAP

FIEND

-A GUILD THAT IS ACTIVE IN THE SEOUL METROPOLITAN AREA.
-FORMERLY RANKED AS THE NO.1 MAJOR GUILD IN SOUTH KOREA.
-THE GUILD FELL IN RANKING WHEN THE WHITE TIGER GUILD SPLIT OFF FROM THE FIEND GUILD AND ROSE TO POWER.

To Be Continued...

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